UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

DA VONTE LOVE,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 11-C-1054

DAVID A CLARKE, JR sued as David A Clark Jr and MR ERICSON Green Bay Correctional Institution Security Director,

Defendants.

ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR ASSISTANCE

Plaintiff, Da Vonte Love, a prisoner proceeding pro se in the underlying action, filed along with his complaint a Motion for Assistance (ECF No. 3). The motion essentially asks the Court to help him file a class-action challenging the mail delivery procedures in the jail. The motion is denied. The Court is not allowed to provide assistance, but is instead to rule on proper requests for relief that are brought before it. Assistance is provided by counsel, either retained or appointed. Plaintiff has not asserted sufficient reasons to warrant the recruitment of counsel by the Court. Accordingly, the motion is **DENIED**.

Plaintiff has also filed a Motion of Mandamus, which seeks essentially the same or similar relief. I note, in addition, the plaintiff appears to be attempting to proceed on behalf of a class of prisoners. This motion is also denied. As a pro se individual prisoner, plaintiff is poorly equipped to represent an entire class of litigants. Mandamus is not an appropriate vehicle for obtaining the kind of relief plaintiff seeks. He has a pending complaint which alleges violation of his

constitutional rights. If he succeeds on that underlying claim, the relief requested, at least as to him, would be granted. Accordingly, the Motion of Mandamus (ECF No. 26) is also **DENIED**.

Dated this <u>24th</u> day of April, 2012.

s/ William C. Griesbach William C. Griesbach

United States District Judge